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LECTURES ON THE SPIRIT  
BODY AND ITS ENVIRONMENTSBy Spirit Charles A. Saville, Through the  
Mediumship of His Wife, Jessie  
E. Saville.

"Where is the spirit world?" is a question often asked. The best way to make this plain to new beginners is to draw a circle, indicating the earth, and around this, another circle, representing the first sphere of the spirit world, another circle for the second sphere, and so on. These circles are as firm for the spirit to rest upon, as the earth is to the mortals' feet. We have violet is finer grained than the dahlia, fruit and flowers and trees; everything the rose finer than the daisy, etc. This that grows upon the earth, but seed is also means that their ratio of vibration not planted in the soil of the spirit is greater as they are finer, and the world. The earth is the place where all higher the vibration of the flower the seed are first planted, both as regards higher they can be carried into the spirit spheres. So it is with man; with increased vibration he can be carried on and on from the lower planes to the higher. A spirit's vibration is more rapid than man's. The angel's still faster. The archangel's still faster, and the celestial's the highest we now know.

I have often heard the question asked: "How do spirits grow old and what do they look like when they have lived a thousand years?" The spirit does not age after a certain period. When man reaches maturity in the physical body and the outer body begins to lose its vigor and its vibration is on the decline, the spirit body pauses in its growth. It seems to rest, and after the physical has

a freak of the imagination, because it is invisible to the mortal eye? Let me explain the situation and composition of fallen away, the spirit steps forth in all the spirit body. First, as every one its vigor, i.e. if unnatural illness has not reached the physical body. Then the material body—the caused the change. This spirit man will physical body is composed of atoms, never grow older in wrinkles or feebleness, but if he lives a useful and progressive life covering withers and dies, and do not lie packed together as we would suppose when we look at our flesh. This vibration is a fanning motion, not always the same. Some days faster, some days slower. When it is slow we complain of a tired feeling. The spirit body is also composed of atoms, a great deal finer than those composing the physical body. These spirit atoms lie between each material atom, alternating with the spirit form. It has the power of increasing or decreasing the vibration of them, or as we might say, between each material atom is a spirit atom, so that their number is the same in both cases. Every piece of flesh on the face of the earth, no matter of what animal, leaf or plant, is composed of both spirit and material atoms. Now we come to the lesson of how these two bodies, so closely intermingled, become separated at what we call death or dissolution?

So long as the material atoms are keeping up their rapid fanning motion, the spirit atom is held in place; it cannot escape. But if anything occurs to cause the material atoms to cease their motion, then the prisoner escapes.

We will take the case of a dog. If the dog is killed or dies while he is in the body what the sun is to the solar system. The sun holds and sways the planets in perfect order, but were he to be removed, all the planets would be in disorder. The soul is the seat or dynamo of the spirit body. It does not act directly upon the material body, but through the finer body, spirit.

Think of the soul as the dynamo of the whole nervous system, where all no more for earth, for he has had all he wants of it; but when he passes out of

the body he will still follow those he loves. If his master is still on earth he will be apt to follow him about. If his master has gone on before, he will go to him if he is shown the way.

There are no incidents so unfortunate from which skillful men will not draw some advantages, nor so fortunate that foolish men will not turn them to their hurt. To that end we must arrange our route months in advance, and places should apply early.

How would it be if you should take the caterpillar into your hands and say to yourself, "I think I will hurry this foolish man will not annihilate Mr. —La Rochefoucauld."

## A MISSIONARY STATEMENT.

## A Few Comments on the Missionary Work of the N. S. A.

Inasmuch as numerous opinions exist in the missionary work of the N. S. A., and a variety of suggestions have been made, it seems apropos that I should make a few comments.

The N. S. A. is not in condition as yet to create and support a systematic missionary effort for propaganda. Its present aim is to send out organizers and agents to secure co-operation of and support by the Spiritualists. We need to get our adherents and sympathizers into line for united effort.

The present missionary effort is unto the Spiritualists more than the public-at-large. When we shall receive the Spiritualist's co-operation, then the public propaganda begins.

We are appointed agents to solicit such co-operation by organization and financial subscription. There is no special missionary fund to be called on for support of a free effort—hence the need for friends of the Cause to make liberal donations to the so-called missionaries, and to give them public meetings free of local expense, in order to raise all possible funds by collections.

When such efforts of the missionaries shall result in the increase of funds in the N. S. A. treasury, then the districting of effort and placing of workers into such localized or limited field will result. First, the financial ability to support must be created.

Our Cause demands that the N. S. A. and its auxiliary state associations, shall create and support local and district speakers and mediums. Such fields will thereby in time become self-supporting.

Each friend of the cause can readily see that their first duty is to financially aid the missionary organizers and create a special fund in the N. S. A. for such purposes. The present general fund, gratifying as it is, will not warrant the setting aside of its major portion for such a system of propaganda—as other great needs for mutual protection and effort, are liable to tax its capacity. A provident person does not squander, but carefully conserves and utilizes his income.

We should compliment instead of condemning the careful business management of the N. S. A. Board of Trustees. Spiritualists generally, need an increase of plain business capacity. Conservative wisdom is far better than reckless enthusiasm. The steady financial growth of the N. S. A. is a high compliment to its management.

The restriction of a N. S. A. missionary to one state or to a district has demonstrated in the case of our most worthy and energetic associate missionaries, who spent most of two years in Indiana, that the financial loss is thereby incurred. And, in our case, where we traversed sixteen states, we had a small financial profit. Hence the efforts of several delegates at the late convention to restrict missionary travel on account of expense, is not warranted by the resultant receipts.

We cannot force localities to prepare for us, nor can we assume the risk of forcing ourselves therein. Many localities do not need us, owing to having local or engaged talent. The business method is to go where we can have company, and desire to be a useful helper of our and your cause of truth and humanity.

I am inclined to believe that Mr. and Mrs. Sprague expended about as much for railroad fares, as did Mrs. Kates and self, and yet their territory was more limited than ours. We made a continuous circuit of states instead of any imposed long trips back and fourth.

With only two pairs of missionary agents in the field, the duty of the N. S. A. is to give them full liberty to visit as many states and localities as possible.

Auxiliaries of the N. S. A. have a paramount right to the services of the missionaries, and they are all fully willing to do all they can to aid the financial result, and the N. S. A. is as willing to give all necessary free service.

I trust that these plain statements may be fully comprehended by every Spiritualist, and a generous support instead of carping criticism will result.

There is one critical statement that I must notice. A writer in the late *Open Court* said that several state associations had complained of over-charge by the missionaries. I do not believe any state association we have visited made any such complaint, for we have no more than had bare expense and salary in any instance, and in some cases less than such. Missouri State Association had our free service; Kansas and Minnesota voluntarily paid us a stated sum; Texas assumed our salary and expense and obtained a profit. Defamatory writers should be better posted.

If any one can do better work than the Spragues or ourselves, the N. S. A. will gladly employ them at an increase of salary, which they will earn, I assure you.

Another item and I am done. They who know better than I, and have possibly better business sense, may show their wisdom or prejudice, as the case may happen to be.

Should an N. S. A. Trustee be a missionary? The present Board of Trustees unanimously says: "Yes!" Why? Because the results of labors by President Barrett as a missionary have been of great value to the Board in field information. His personal contact has made it possible to know the situation, and in many cases where information was absolutely necessary, prevented the expense of a special envoy to learn the facts. Field work by the president makes his position important, and his executive work invaluable. No president should be selected who cannot attend to the field work.

In my case, as a trustee and missionary, the Board has found in several instances the same capacity to advise and inform. Such being the case, I favor Bro. Sprague as a Trustee, and think it is a mistake that he is not a member of the Board.

I have no personal ambition to serve as a trustee nor as a missionary. I want to serve Spiritualism and its cause, and its friends the best I can. My own interests say: "Retire to private life," but the desires of the N. S. A. and my spirit helpers, shall be my duty, and when these shall say: "We need you no longer," then will I gladly retire from public effort and seek a home that for thirty years has been denied me.

Hoping to do some good and harm none, I am always a willing servitor, and desire to be a useful helper of our and your cause of truth and humanity.

Fraternally,  
GEORGE W. KATES.

The universe pays every man in his own coin; if you smile, it smiles upon you in return; if you frown you will be frowned at; if you sing you will be invited into gay company; if you think, you will be entertained by thinkers; and

## CARDINAL WOOLSEY

Is Forced by Natural Law to Return and Preach the Truth.

"Truth crushed to earth will rise again," and those who crush it are forced by natural law to return from the sphere beyond the grave and undo the wrong they did whilst in the physical body.

It was at a private class held by J. Clegg Wright last winter at Lake Helen, Florida, that Cardinal Wolsey, who died in 1530 was given the privilege to manipulate the switchboard of the nervous system of the medium and forced to speak about as follows:

The soul of man is the infinite dignity and power which can, in its radiant essential entity of itself, "know," because it is infinite, and therefore in close relation to the infinite vibrations of the infinite, unknowable, universal soul, the all in all. It is a personal creative mind or thought power, intelligence, or divinity of the sphere of the divine soul, perhaps better understood by the name of Deity. Deity is the sphere of divinity, acting in and through all the universe.

That the soul of man is a part of this Deity is proven by the numberless historical cures effected through the holy shrines. I, personally when on earth, have seen hundreds of sick, kneeling down and praying to God for health, arise from the holy shrine at Canterbury, being healed. How were they healed? by a miracle? No!

They were cured by faith in a most natural way. By the action of great spiritual minds gathering over the holy shrine for the purpose of releasing mankind from their ills, and proving them the relativity of their indwelling souls with those assembled healing spirits.

It is a natural electric magnetic process, it is the power of the spirit over the nervous system of man. The nerves in the physical body regulate the circulation of the blood and lymphatics, and in turn they are subject to influences outside of the fine human senses; influences which even in your so-called enlightened age, are not yet understood.

I mean the soul's creative power or the power to control etheric molecules, the substance of which nerve tissue is made.

It is a fact that departed spirits can act on the mental state of man, that dominating impressions are given by them to the consciousness of man, and thus man's life is moulded to a great extent, so a good deal of the phenomena and the evolution of life, must be attributed to spirit power. This universal spirit power can heal the sick if the spirit of the sick one can come into close relativity with the healing spirits. The earnest prayers of those kneeling at the holy shrine established the relativity and they could arise cured.

The Catholic church created saints for a purpose which was pure and holy. In the beginning of the Christian Era the mental development of the people was very low, so the saints were created to inspire dignity and holiness in the hearts of the masses to assist the holy spirit within to check the human senses and lift humanity up.

The masses could not grasp the conception of a Deity, so the saints were put forth as a sample of dignity, a step to Deity, an example to be looked up to and to be followed in life. These saints were men as other men, yet they awakened with their exemplary life the spirit in the masses, the holiness of the spirit in mankind, for the spirit in man is the holy spirit, it is man's guardian and the healing spirit in the physical body. So the saints were not created as an abstract of worship or divinity in them.

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MY FRIEND, THE PSYCHIC, IN SPIRIT.

A SEQUEL TO "MY FRIEND, THE PSYCHIC."

BY ARTHUR F. MILTON.

(Author of "Higher Realms," and "Psychic World.")

CHAPTER X.  
WASHINGTON'S AURA.

"The world was not created perfect; neither can the human race be. What beautifies matter, beautifies spirit. Man must pass through the same fiery ordeal that matter passes through to be rounded out, collectively and individually. As a whole it develops discipline for self-government; individually for self-control. Without either there is decomposition-energy wasted. The principle of economy-taught in poverty—is the primary lesson for this effect. Through its forced practice, brought on by circumstances, man involuntarily evolves in his being a law of self-control—a centre of gravity to become individualized—immortal—free from the control of matter. The great majority lack this centralizing power. Conditions are therefore needed to furnish the means. Laws, customs, society, commerce, authority, government are the means to this end. Every government represents a condition for allied spirits to enforce upon each other this principle of economy or self-discipline. Not only in necessitating them to earn a livelihood, but to observe customs, become good citizens, obey authority, affiliate with each other, be dutiful, self-respecting and righteous—all generalities that lay the foundation for individual effort at the end of the race, where self-knowledge begins. Without the former, man would never reach the latter, and remain an earth-bound spirit without destiny or aim, and never rising out of the savagery of earth's first incarnations or evolutions."

But savagery still exists, I mused to myself, and many pass out without being thus disciplined—are they not immortal?

"Once incarnated as man, spirit never dies, even animals being individualized under circumstances to hold their own. The evolution of spirit through matter undergoes many modification, changes and transformations—the most positive of a group or series attracting the negative, and forming new and higher series, cultivating in man as the perfected 'image of God' or nature. With the beginning of self-consciousness in spiritual evolution, man begins. Mind is spirit known to itself—its first awakening out of the chaos of matter, its birth as an individualized or independent life-entity. Its mission now is to work itself out of its infant state into that of an adult by conquering its animal nature and fitting itself for a still higher state—that of the freed spirit."

But what opportunities has the savage for attaining this most desirable end?

"Through laws made by the higher spirit-world for this effect. The same laws that govern spirits, govern mortals and vice versa. Experience teaches. As man learns to make laws to suit circumstances, spirits do. An evolutionary system has been established, that affords undeveloped spirits opportunities for perfection—a system as effective in its operations as the simplest here, that of protecting a morally-inclined sensitive from obsession by an immorally-inclined spirit. The spirit world has its law makers as well as the mortal world has—being composed of legislators, lawyers, judges and other students in the economizing of force or will, and in that are enabled to make their will or desire potent for effects as they are best needed in the unfoldment of spirits still connected to matter, whether in or out of the body. Some of these effects would seem illogical to many not intuitively qualified to take them in, and thus would be 'unlawful' to unfold. Experience is needed to make some things understood; faith others. Head without heart, however, often believes too little, while heart without head, believes too much. A medium between intellectuality and love is the best condition for the comprehension of spiritual truths in general. Of such are the revelations in the mortal, whether they be termed sensitives, mediums, reformers or messiahs."

During the last remark of George, I noticed that we were on the move again, going southward.  
"Where to?" I asked.  
"Across the Atlantic westward."

If we set down at set of sun  
And count the things that we have done,  
And counting find that  
One self-denying act, one word  
That eased the heart of him who heard,  
One glance most kind  
That fell like sunshine where it went  
Then we may count the day well spent.  
—Ella Wheeler Wilcox.

To be continued.

AT SET OF SUN.

## WHAT IS SPIRITUALISM?

In the issue of November 15th we requested our readers to answer the above question; several replies have been received which will appear in this column.

Spiritualism is the science of life; the annihilation of death; the gospel of evolution and development; the doctrine of civilization, refinement, and attainment of seeming perfection.

It is the hand that recorded the past, teaches the present, and indicates the future; the sum total of all the wisdom of the past, of the present, and of all the ages yet to come. But for it we might still believe that the earth was flat, with four corners, and that the Sun, Moon, and the Stars and Planets were made expressly for the benefit of the earth and its inhabitants.

But for it we might still believe in a vengeful and jealous God who loves and hates, punishes and rewards, gets pleased and becomes angry; and who, out of the same mouth, sends forth both blessings and cursings; a God who, after many consecutive experiments in the Vegetable and Animal Kingdoms, finally decided to try an experiment in a man-making process, became displeased with the result,

repented that he had made man, resolved to destroy all mankind from off the face of the earth, manufactured a special shower to accomplish his purpose, but made, however, a conspicuous failure by preserving the lives of eight persons in an Ark made of gopher (?) wood, and then, after seeing that the last state of man was worse than the first, decided to send his only (?) begotten Son to die on a cross in order that man might have eternal life.

But, as it is, Spiritualism teaches us to know that we already possess as much, as great, as perfect, and as inherent a right to immortality as any God or gods that ever existed.

Spiritualism is the purest, the best, the happiest, the most real, and the most satisfactory religion known to mankind; and Spiritualism will, e'er long, become a universal religion.

## AMONG THE LATER BOOKS.

*IN THE WORLD CELESTIAL*, is the title of a book written by T. A. Bland, M. D. the second edition of which issued from the press recently. It is neatly bound and contains 159 pages of good reading to place in the hands of investigators and students of "Psychic phenomena."

It claims to be founded on the actual experiences of a friend of Dr. Bland's.

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"One Aspect of Continental Expansion" is considered by Jacob W. Richardson, A. B., LL. B. "The Anglo Saxon and the African" is the title of an article by one of the most enlightened negroes in America — Prof. Kelley Miller, of Howard University. Col. Wm. Hemstreet presents the "Theory and Practice of the New Primary Law," and Robert Tyson describes "Proportional Representation," many other important articles besides Editor Flower's instructive departments of "Topics of the Times," and "Books of the Day." 25 cents a copy, or \$2.50 a year. The Alliance Pub. Co., Fifth Ave., New York.

## CREEDS OUTGROWN

is the title of a neat little pamphlet of 38 pages by Rev. Andrew P. Stout, which issued from the press last January.

The author was a member of the Church of Christ, but having outgrown it through his investigations of psychic phenomena and the study of many of our New Thought writers he asked for a letter from the church which he received.

He has written this pamphlet, the title of which is self explanatory, and given away \$100 worth of them and desires to give away \$100 worth more of them. You can get one free by sending 5¢ stamps to his address, Rev. Andrew P. Stout, Sheridan, Ind.

Mediums, lecturers and the public are hereby notified that all certificates for Missionaries, Special Agents or State Agents, bearing date prior to Convention of 1901, expired with close of fiscal year of 1902. The public is warned to pay no money to the N. S. A. to any but its accredited missionaries, its officers and trustees, unless the soliciting person can show a letter of appointment as special agent, signed by the President and Secretary of the N. S. A. of date later than Oct. 1902.

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# The News at Lily Dale. SPECIAL NOTICE

In order to ensure correct and prompt news of arrivals, departures, improvements, and items of interest, please write it and send it to this office. We want to give our readers all the news of the camp and you can assist us to do so in this way.

Mrs. Emma Huff is at Alameda, Cal. Miss Margaret Keough went to Buffalo to spend Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade have gone to Cincinnati, O. for the winter.

Mrs. Waterhouse and family spent Thanksgiving at Fredonia.

L. C. Harris, of Kennedy, N. Y., was a recent visitor to the Dale.

"Auntie" Purple has gone for the winter, she will be at Friendship, N. Y.

Miss Huntington has gone to her home at Waterford, Pa. for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Morris have been spending two weeks visiting in Buffalo.

Mrs. Maggie Turner's sister Miss Cranston, of Jamestown, spent Thanksgiving with her.

Dr. E. F. Robinson, who has been here all summer, has returned to his home at Orange City, Fla.

Judge and Mrs. Baillet have moved to Fredonia, N. Y. and are pleasantly situated at 49 Main St.

At last we have hard coal, it arrived about a week ago, and everyone is happy to have coal to burn.

Miss Grace Richardson has returned home from her visit, and will remain with us the remainder of the winter.

J. H. Binney wishes us to remind Hatfield Pettibone that the Lily Dale people are expecting that barrel of oysters and clams for Christmas.

Charlie Wildrick's brother, whose home is Jamestown, N. Y., passed to the life beyond with consumption and was buried Thanksgiving day.

Our depot agent, Julius Paine, has bloomed out in a blue uniform, which are used by railroad agents, and we feel quite cityfied at the result.

Acetylene gas has been placed in the Leolyn Hotel recently, every room is lighted by it. This is a great improvement and will be appreciated by the guests next summer.

Snow fell to the depth of about three inches on Thanksgiving night and still remains on the ground, so there is quite a wintry appearance about the Camp. This is the first snow of the season.

The top floor of the Iroquois Hotel is being enlarged, the dance hall will be made larger, and two rooms added on the same floor and a mansard roof will be put over the whole top the same as the front.

Mr. A. J. Jackson has been a great sufferer from a carbuncle on his neck the past few weeks, it has been so severe as to cause him to go to bed; his friends and neighbors sympathize with him and hope to see him out soon.

Mrs. Wm. Lockwood has been in poor health, she is being treated by Mrs. Dr. Matteson of Buffalo, and hopes for permanent relief. Prof. and Mrs. Lockwood are in Buffalo, where they will remain as long as Mrs. Lockwood's health continues to improve.

Miss Pansy Wilcox visited us recently from Jamestown. She is attending the business college at Jamestown, studying bookkeeping, and will take up typewriting and shorthand later. She is looking well in spite of her hard studies, and we were all glad to see her.

F. W. Foote, and family of Jamestown were the guests of THE SUNFLOWER for Thanksgiving. Of course they have the nicest baby that ever was, it would do for an advertisement of Mellon's food; it is as good natured as it is good looking.

Mrs. Pettengill and daughter are on their way to California, where they will spend the winter months. They visit Denver, Col., for a few days, and will beat San Francisco, and Los Angeles, most of the time. All mail addressed to them at Lily Dale, N. Y. will be promptly forwarded.

## Drifting and Steering.

As a ship upon the ocean,  
Drifting helpless o'er the deep,  
No man's hand upon the tiller,  
Crew and master drunk with sleep,  
So we drift upon life's ocean.

Seeking pleasure, shunning pain;  
Drifting aimlessly, and idly,  
Caring naught for future gain.  
But at last there comes a pilot,

True Ambition he is called;  
And his mate is Perseverance,  
Shadow Gaiety has paled;  
Faith is captain, of the present.  
We are thinking less and less,  
And we seek a port that's certain,  
And that port is called "Success!"

—Borden H. Mills.

## To Those Who Have Renewed Their Subscriptions Recently.

A number of people have sent us \$1.00 for two years subscription since the notice appeared stating that until December 25 we would send the weekly SUNFLOWER for 50c. Also a number of those whose subscriptions do not expire until after January 1, have sent 50c for a renewal. All of the first mentioned have had their subscriptions extended one year and six months, while the last have been extended six months, in accordance with the notice on page 6. Kindly note this now so there will be no misunderstanding when the subscriptions expire.

As soon as possible after January 1, the subscription list will be remodeled, and the date of expiration will be substituted for the number.

## OBITUARY.

Among those who have passed to the other side of life from among our ranks recently are:

Mrs. Lillie P. Lewis, Potsdam, N. Y.  
Truman E. Niles, Middleboro, Mass.  
Martha Bixford, Piermont, N. H.  
Mrs. Giles, Hyde Park, Mass.  
Elijah Clary, Mill River Valley, Mass.  
Willie E. Davis, Los Angeles, Cal.  
Geo. W. McPheters, San Diego, Cal.  
Joathan G. Pierce, Leominster, Mass.  
C. Hobert Davis, Newton, Mass.

## Funeral in Charge of Spiritualists.

For the first time in the history of the city public funeral services were held by the Spiritualists yesterday. The occasion was the funeral of Felix McCarthy, the old man who died suddenly last Thursday at the Pueblo hospital after being stricken with paralysis at his home.

The services were held at the McCarthy undertaking parlors and were largely attended by friends of the deceased. A. B. Allen conducted the impressive rites and was assisted by Mrs. John Larsen and a choir composed of members of the Spiritualists' faith. Numerous floral tributes of beautiful design and coloring surrounded the bier of the dead man. Pall-bearers were John Larsen, Henry Kline, Henry Roots, William Ward, James Lavery, M. J. Kohr, A. F. Getman and Frank Schmidt. The interment was in Riverview cemetery.

No word has yet been received from the brother of the deceased, who is thought to be in California. Telegrams have been sent to various places where he is thought to be but no response had come up to a late hour last night. Pueblo Daily Chieftain, of Nov., 24,

## Some of the Things Our Subscribers Say.

Since sending my subscription to THE SUNFLOWER I have thought of a friend whom I would like to send the paper to for a Christmas present.

Enclosed find her address and 50 cents to pay for same.

I like the paper very much and am glad it is to become a weekly.

Mrs. Celia C. Hilton.

THE SUNFLOWER is rising toward noon; hail little gem of Lily Dale.

Mary J. Scott.

I am pleased to learn that you intend to give us a weekly instead of a semi-monthly and I assure you my patronage so long as you equal your efforts of the past.

I will try and send you a long list of subscribers before the first day of January.

Jas. E. Mizzles.

I notice in your last issue that you propose to make THE SUNFLOWER a weekly. Good news! I herewith hand you \$1 as "a standin'" to the new enterprise. May the good work go on; Lily Dale grow in beauty and usefulness and Spiritualism become better understood as time goes on.

J. K. Wilson.

We can not have too much of a good thing.

Mrs. L. L. Davis.

Doing good is the only certainly happy action of a man's life.—Sidney.

—Borden H. Mills.

## Buffalo News.

Miss Alice Coats is located at 1175 Main St., Buffalo, N. Y.

Mr. Warner is assisting Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Chase in their meetings at Lyric Hall, Sunday evenings.

Mr. F. Albee, President of the First Spiritual Church, cor. Prospect and Jersey is taking an active part in the welfare of the society.

A musical and literary entertainment was given by the Harmony Circle at their hall cor. Main and Mohawk Streets Tuesday evening Nov. 24.

Nov. 16 a large audience gathered at the Temple to hear Carrie Twing lecture. Her subject was: "What does Spiritualism do to Satisfy the Heart-Hunger of Humanity."

Mr. Otis Johnson is holding meetings every Sunday afternoon and evening in the eastern part of Buffalo, in behalf of Spiritualism and to aid in the development of mediumship.

F. H. Mathews is interesting good audiences, Sunday afternoons and evenings, lecturing and giving test readings through his psychic power. His meetings are held at the corner of Allen and Park Streets.

Sunday evening Nov. 16, a very pleasant conference was held under the direction of Carrie Twing, at the Temple. Interesting remarks were made by Messrs Hanson, Dennis, Nicum, Parker and Mrs. Twing.

The literary and musical entertainment including the pie sociable under the auspices and direction of the Y. P. S. I. at the Temple, Tuesday evening, Nov. 11, was a grand success from an interesting, intellectual, social and financial standpoint and though the weather was somewhat inclement outside there was a large audience. All enjoyed themselves and had all the pie they wanted to eat. Much praise is due Master George Benson who did remarkably well in getting up and arranging the program for the evening. He also presided over the entertainment. Among those who participated in the program were: Miss Wright, whistling solo; solos by Miss Jessie Patterson and Mr. G. Hall; instrumental and vocal solos by Mrs. Phelps, recitations by Mr. Hanson also Mr. Schobe of Lockport, and remarks by Mrs. Atcheson, there were others who kindly assisted in making the entertainment a success. The net proceeds were a little over \$40. Mr. and Mrs. Van Buskirk were among those who sold the most tickets. Mr. Beesing received much applause for his interesting and amusing article in regard to the pie.

## THE BAZAAR.

The Bazaar held at the Spiritual Temple cor. Jersey St. and Prospect Ave., Nov. 20, 21 and 22, under the direction

## First Bath in Forty Years.

A sick soldier was ordered by a physician to take a bath. After the operation he came to the doctor and volunteered this statement:

"Say, Doc, if I had known how good

a bath makes a fellow feel, I would have taken one forty years ago."

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Mr. Stewart, 4336 Champlain Street, Chicago, purchased one Thursday afternoon; between that time and Sunday several members of the family had good results from its use. A woman, 18 years of age, not mediumistic, named Mrs. ... had even pictures by its aid; she has developed automatic writing, is progressing finely and will doubtless unfold into a first class medium.

Harry Dalton, 3656 State Street, Chicago, said, after having Psyche one week: "I would not take \$25 for my Cabinet if I could not get another."

"Psyche arrived two days ago. It has helped me wonderfully in development. I more than appreciate the invention, and its aid." —Chas. J. Brat, Jacksonville, Fla.

"The little cabinet arrived and gives complete satisfaction." —Carrie Swenson, publisher "Scandinavian Spiritualist," Minneapolis, Minn.

"Psyche arrived two weeks ago and to say I was pleased does not express my appreciation. My boy, twelve years old, is developing most all the physical phenomena of Spiritualism with it. Independent writing, automatic writing, clairvoyance, clairaudience, ring of bells, trumpet speaking, moving of bodies without contact, etc. He has also developed Clairvoyance and Clairaudience." —M. T. Thompson, Arkadelphia, Ark.

"We have one of your Psyches which we purchased in December. In about two weeks our little girl began to speak in a mediumistic way by the use of it. She played around automatically and now plays very difficult music and composes new pieces (entirely new) and words also, sings Spanish and plays the accompaniment to it.

"There is not enough space on this globe to buy all the Psyches we have received if it were transferable." —Mrs. Annie Gidley, Chicago, Ill.

"I thought I must write and tell you of the success I have had since I received your Cabinet, Psyche, a short time ago. The first evening I used it I got a beautiful message and name of a dear relative who was lost at sea a number of years ago. I repeat this through independent writing alone. This message moved very rapidly but no writing. I would be pleased to recommend the Cabinet to anyone who wishes to test it." —Erastus C. Smith, Nashua, N. H.

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# THE SUNFLOWER.

## Lake Helen Camp, A Letter From Lake Helen, Florida.

George Colby is in Jacksonville for a short time before coming to camp.

J. D. White and wife, of New York, are settled in their cottage.

Mrs. Eliza Philbrook has returned to Massachusetts very much improved in health.

Mrs. Hardenburg has returned to Daytona for a few weeks.

Mrs. J. B. Vogt, of Newark, N. J., has taken a room in the apartment house.

Mr. Hatch and wife are living in their cottage outside the grounds.

Mrs. Van Liese is in her old room in the apartment house.

Mr. de Bartholomew has brought a young man with him to assist in building a cottage. Mrs. de Bartholomew, the excellent trumpet medium will come later.

Dr. Hilligoss' cottage is nearing completion.

The work on the Spence cottage will be completed in time for Thanksgiving dinner.

Mrs. C. Vance of New York is in Brig-  
ham hall.

Mrs. M. M. Witters, of Massachusetts, is expected about Dec. 23. She will locate in Webster hotel.

I. M. Hawks, of Lynn, Mass., will sail for Florida Nov. 21 and intends to visit Lake Helen.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Carrigue, of Rhode Island, will sail Dec. 5th and on arrival will occupy the former Clark cottage.

J. D. Palmer and wife have left Wil-  
loughby, O., for Lake Helen.

The camp is filling up. New faces come every week and many old campers are congregating at this health camp.

Everybody is cordially welcome. Lake Helen is an ideal winter home.

My third excursion by water will leave New York City Dec. 5 and my fourth one will leave the same place Dec. 19th. Write for particulars, enclosing 4 cents in stamps for postage on folders, etc. Prices very low.

H. A. BUDINGTON.

98 Sherman, Springfield, Mass.

## A Seance at Whatcom, Wash.

The Spiritualists of Whatcom are at present enjoying a treat by way of seances given through the mediumship of Henry B. Allen, the well-known musical medium. The instruments used are the dulcimer and guitar. The performance upon the former is wonderful, varying from the sweetest music to the oddest imitations, viz.: the sawing off of boards, boring hole with an auger, the gale at sea and many others.

The circle is formed and all join hands the medium being joined by a stranger on either side. A chair is placed behind the medium's chair a distance of a couple of feet away. Upon which the dulcimer is placed. Hands are materialized above the heads of the sitters. Slips of paper are written upon and carefully placed upon the laps of the ladies and vigorously tucked into the inside pockets of the gentleman's coats. At the close of the manifestations the medium charges everyone to clasp the hands of his neighbor very tightly as the dulcimer — which weighs about 30 pounds — is going to be lifted quite over his head and deposited upon the stand which usually is placed in the center of the circle. When the lights were turned on the chair upon which the dulcimer was first placed is also found upsidedown upon the dulcimer in the center of the circle.

Mr. Allen has been a resident of the coast for a number of years, for a while living at Summerland, Cal. His home is now in the southern part of the State, Etna, Clark Co. He has spent the summer on his farm but during the fall and winter he will give investigators an opportunity to investigate his wonderful gift.

JESSIE E. SAVILLE,  
Whatcom, Wash.

### OUR OWN MADE STAIRWAY.

Life's one high wall — we make each stair  
That helps to reach the garret roof  
Where each may see, and thus declare  
On heights of right, the soul-earned proofs.

Each little act or hasty word  
Taken from or elevates a stair  
And every joy, that joy has stirred  
Adds one more note to faith in prayer.

The happiness which all do seek  
Is made from helping others build  
Their stairway strong, for some are weak  
And others' hopes been almost killed.

So let a stone be laid each day,  
Let not a space be left at night  
When sun goes down, but something lay  
On which to climb by owner's right.

Mary J. Scott.

As winter is near, with all its discom fits, I am inspired to write a word to Helen, where you will come in contact with the ablest representatives of our science to climate in which one may rejuvenate both physical and spiritual powers.

Perhaps some time pipe lines will be used to transport tropical air into our homes in the cold regions of the North; then the ozone of the pine will cool our Lake. Go where you can enjoy the fruit rooms in the morning of a hot summer's day and in the afternoon we will enjoy from the burning sun, by the salt breezes, fresh from the ocean, magnolia. Go and spend one winter in spring will come to us in pipe lines from some Southern clime. Until science with its ceaseless march, provides us with all the conditions conducive to health and comforts, the human family will be compelled to follow their nomadic instincts to obtain health and comfort. In writing to friends during my winter stays in the South, I have so often tried to find language to express the soul's thought of the charm and mystery that overwhelms one after leaving gray skies and wintry winds and making the transition to this land of sunshine and flowers, and every time I make the attempt language ceases to vibrate; I can only say, in proportion to the size of your soul and your love of the beautiful will you enjoy it.

Florida is the most picturesque State in the Union. Here is externalized in expression the perpetuity of all life. Florida is the healthiest State in the Union, for two reasons: First, the State is new. Old Ocean has not yet completed the job of making the State, although no doubt she has been millions of years in making the sand ridges and valleys that comprise the vast territory of Florida, and yet there has not been sufficient time for decayed vegetation, and the carbon from the sun's rays to form a stratum of soil upon the surface. Hence there is no malarial nor germinal diseases there. Second, the entire State is covered with a rich growth of Pine that gives off a rich resinoid that mixes with the salt breezes that sweep in all over the State from the Gulf Coast as well as the East Coast, which adds health and vigor to the atmosphere.

To Spiritualists wishing to enjoy a spiritual feast as well as climatic benefits, there is no spiritual Camp anywhere equal to Lake Helen. 'Tis there you will meet the most intelligent class of our people: they go there psychologized with the thought that they are out for a good time and they make pleasure out of every little social event that occurs. 'Tis there you have our philosophy presented by our ablest speakers. 'Tis there we learn that the dream of love that is in the soul is the only saving principle to cultivate and cherish in the heart. When we present it to rule all other good things will be added to our store. Many of our people are adopting the pessimistic idea of life, and I don't wonder from the spirit of envy and jealousy that pervades most of our camps, and yet the world is not growing worse. Education and science are the levers that are civilizing and also spiritualizing. Evolution is slow but sure, and to it we must look for the redemption of the world. Not an act of nature, from the winds that leaped ages ago across Himalayan heights to the trickle of the lime drops, building stalagmites in a sunless cavern, but pointed toward the evolution of a moral character of creatures not yet evolved. Man is the fruit, but not the ripe fruit, of evolutions, and his moral character is the product of all the conjoined forces that work in atoms. He is the child of cosmical environments, but it does not yet appear what he shall be; he weaves now at the loom of his own destiny. It is nature and her children, the father and the mother, the Infinite infinitely felt, the finite infinitely yearning. God will never appear to men only as He appears in them. We see in a thing what the mind brings to it. We can only enjoy according to the value of our reminiscence. The day is coming when men will live more in thought and less in the material world. At present his eyes are holden. 'Twas Emerson who said, "God screens us ever more from premature ideas. We cannot see things that stare us in the face until the hour arrives that the mind is ripened." Then we behold them, and the time that we know them not is like a dream.

"Canst thou bind the sweet influence of the Pleiades or loose the bands of Orion? Then will I also confess unto thee that thy own right hand can save thee." When man truly knows his capability and divests himself of his selfishness the Golden Rule will then enforce itself. Thinking is getting to be a great power. Bye and bye it is going to set up a kingdom on this earth. Thought now commands the lightning and bye and bye the great forces of nature will be at Lake Helen, where you will come in contact with the ablest representatives of our science to climate in which one may rejuvenate both physical and spiritual powers.

As humanity feels disposed toward a fellow-being, nature most likely feels, and vice versa; and on the whole considered, undoubtedly the majority would prefer to take chances with her than with those who partook of the cause that led to the effect named.

G. N. HILLIGOS, M. D.,

## Is Suicide a Sin?

Ignoring nature's promptings, which are for good only, is inviting her punishment; but of what avail is such punishment to the individual wronged?

Ida C. Craddock committed suicide because wronged in a manner that justice was beyond reach of her.

In the light of truth first causes are always responsible for final effects. Suicide is an effect — generally considered a bad one or a sin. But who is responsible for this so-called sin? It would not have been committed without the cause underlying it, and the cause was not hers. Thus she is not responsible for the effect and most naturally should escape punishment.

But what is punishment? Is it not mostly the condemnation of injustice — whether it comes from mortal mind or universal mind. As no injustice can be ascribed to Ida C. Craddock no censure can affect her, even though some would have suicide to be a sin.

What difference is there between suicide and being killed by other arbitrary means? The only sin therein is the lost opportunity of soul reopening — and that fits to either case, not excluding disease that any one may contract by contagion and passing over in an unripeened state.

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# METAPHYSICAL.

Conducted By EVIE P. BACH.

## QUIET WAYS ARE BEST.

What's the use of worrying,  
Of hurrying  
And scurrying.

Everybody flurrying  
And breaking up their rest,  
When every one is teaching us,  
Preaching and beseaching us  
To settle down and end the fuss.

For quiet ways are best.

The rain that trickles down in showers  
And blessings give to thirsty flowers,  
And gentle zephyrs gather up  
Sweet fragrance from each brimming cup,  
There's ruin in the tempter's path;

There's ruin in the voice of wrath;

And they alone are blest  
Who early learn to dominate  
Themselves, their violence abate,  
And prove by their serene estate

That quiet ways are best.

Nothing's gained by worrying,  
By hurrying  
And scurrying;

With fretting and with flurrying,  
With tempers often lost.

And in pursuit of some small prize  
We rush ahead, and are not wise,  
And find the unwanted exercise

A fearful price has cost.

'Tis better far to join the throng  
That do their duty right along;  
Reluctant they to raise a fuss,  
Or make themselves ridiculous.  
Calm and serene in heart and nerve,  
Their strength is always in reserve,  
And nobly stand each test;  
And every day and all about,  
By scenes within and scenes without,  
We can discern, with ne'er a doubt,  
That quiet ways are best.

—Silver Chain Messenger.

## LIVE CLOSE TO NATURE.

BY DR. PAUL EDWARDS.

The person who lives along the lines nature indicates will never be sick. It is those who depart from natural laws who writhe in pain and seek the drug doctors.

There is no sick room in nature — stick to her foods and drinks. The water she sends down the mountain sides is pure! The air she wafts across the sea and plain is pure. The fruits and vegetables she so abundantly yields from her own bosom are nourishing and God-given! Lastly, she endows man with a knowledge and discretion to collect, grow and use her offerings.

But man has become a pervert in his tastes and habits. He has seized upon the innocent, helpless animals of nature, and slaughtered them to appease his perverted appetite. He has distilled the grains, foods and fruits of the earth that he may become intoxicated, debauched, sickly and impassioned.

In this abnormal state man begets children who are often products of passion rather than the pleasure of a divine creator. Thus the world moves along in the flood ways of passion, and man turns to murder, rapine and war. All this is the result of straying from nature's laws and foods.

We must reform. We must become temperate in eating and drinking. We must cease killing God's animals and devouring their flesh. We must eat nature's fruits, and the products of her fields. Cease passion and mental perversion.

God's laws are plainly written on all sides. We have no need for disobedience. I believe that if the human race would reform the eating habit, no creed, church or religion would be necessary to the universal salvation and peace of mankind. It is the passion of our race that destroys lives and happiness, and brings sickness unto seven-eights of the civilized world. This consuming passion is born of overeating, is a violation of moral and physical law, and belongs to the lower animals while in their haunts and wilds.

I find such a vast range of foods in the vegetable, fruit and nut kingdom that I am often confused in making a choice. My table is abundantly supplied with all that man could reasonably desire. Why slay the animals that we may eat them when we have so much else better?

I urge my friends to stick close to nature — our mother — and live in health, drink the water of heaven; eat the fruits of earth, and breathe the air of space.

O, why be sick? Why be filled with sorrow! Why die early! Why take the life of animals!

—Mental Advocate.

## GRAND SUCCESS FOR YOU.

When success seems most laggard then be especially constant in your purpose to islands, green and sunny, amidst the mel-wins. When the sky is darkest be equally ancholy waste of ocean.—Thomas.

## Expectation and Suggestion.

To the mind that is intensely expecting a certain effect, a powerful suggestion will bring about the effect. This is a law governing the production of hypnotic phenomena. If a person will close his hands tightly together at the request of the hypnotist, and then earnestly think that his hands will become fastened, he will find, after the hypnotist makes a few suggestions, that his hands are fast. After his hands become stuck once or twice at the command of the hypnotist, it becomes a matter of habit, and his hands will stick together as if tied at a mere glance from the hypnotist.

I will explain further. In the first place, the subject for the experiment believed in the power of the hypnotist. He fully expected that his hands would become fastened, and he probably said to himself: "He will fasten my hands. Queer how he does it. My hands are sticking now." Sure enough, when the hypnotist announces in a positive tone of voice that his hands are stuck together, they surely are, and he can't part them. The hands were stuck together, not so much by any power of the hypnotist, but by the subject's own belief, which, through the power of auto- or self-suggestion, created the effect in the muscles which caused the hands to stick.

The subject, by his own will, places himself under the control of the hypnotist's suggestions. The power of the hypnotist (speaking of a follower of the school who discredited the belief in a magnetic fluid) consists in making the subject believe what he, the hypnotist, is saying. The point is this: If you interest a person in conversation and skillfully guide the current of his thoughts, and give him to understand that you have great hypnotic powers, and get him to try the hand clasping, or some other simple test, deeply impressing him that it is no joke, that you can fasten his hands, you will control him.

If you believe in your power, you will control people; if you can so impress them by your earnestness, that they will believe in you. Confidence in hypnotists develops confidence in subjects.

Positive suggestions succeed, half-hearted suggestions come to naught. If I take a fairly good hypnotic subject, and say in a joking way: "Your hands are fast;" he laughingly replies that it is not so. But, if I look positive and gaze fully into his eyes, positively suggest: "Your hands are fast," he instantly enters the hypnotic state, and his fingers become locked in a vice-like clasp.

The value that we can receive from this experiment, is, when you say anything, say it with force; with positive conviction, if you expect to get results.

LEWIS R. HILLIER.

## GLEAMS OF LIGHT FROM THE SPIRIT WORLD.

Ah! my eyes are dim with weeping  
For around my heart tonight,  
In the shadowed silence, creeping  
Come beloved ones (long since sleeping)  
From their homes eternal bright.  
And from distant purple fountains  
Far beyond the blue-capped mountains,  
Gently borne upon the breeze;  
Comes enchanting strains of music,  
Stealing softly to mine ear;  
Bearing in this soothing murmur,  
Blessings glad the soul to cheer.

Wafting all my being upward  
By love's healing message home;  
Sweet in lingering tones transporting,  
Echoing from the azure dome —  
Vanish earthly pains forever;  
Care and longing disappears,  
All forgotten, life's slow fever  
Ends; the ransomed soul is near  
All it longed for, bliss immortal,  
Perfect life at heaven's portal.

Vina A. Summer.

## HAPPINESS.

Where is happiness? I questioned  
Of the wild winds — from afar;  
Overtaking birds and wheelmen  
An Oispoth, from star to star.

Where is happiness? I questioned  
The raindrops as they fell  
In pearly, countless beauties,  
Which made the rivers swell.

Where is happiness? I questioned  
The snowflakes falling 'round  
In purity and silence,  
Heaping pillows on the ground.

But the wind went on its moaning  
And the pools grew deep outside;  
The banks of snow indifferent  
To my question — hence I sighed.

Then an inspiration answered,

Through the mist that rose from earth,  
Happiness is pregnant always,  
Only waiting place of birth  
In the sunlit morning kisses  
Or the noon of labor's rest  
When the heart to love is given  
Happiness will fill the breast.

Mary J. Scott.

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They will be for sale by the Spiritualist papers, and all society officers are requested to act as agents.

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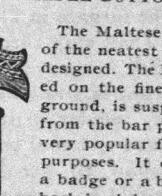
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## REPLIES TO CRITICISMS.

Every little while this office receives a communication from some friend, enclosing a newspaper clipping, asking us if we can reply to the criticisms given therein and occasionally we are criticised for not publishing a reply to the article.

Most of the articles bear on the same topics for there are comparatively few objections that are raised against Spiritualism and they have been replied to so many times that it seems a waste of time and space to go over them again. If the people who read the criticism would read the reply, this would not be the case, but they do not. The greater proportion of the people who read and believe such reports would not read a Spiritualist paper under any consideration, consequently, as the paper that prints the attack will seldom permit any kind of a reply to appear in their columns it is time lost to put it into replies to that class of people. Spiritualists know it is not true the others would not want to know if it was forced on them.

After this paper is a weekly we will have more space to fill and occasionally we may pay our respects to the people who condemn us.

## NEW SUBSCRIPTIONS.

It gives us great pleasure to again thank our subscribers for the many new names which have been added to our list recently. The number exceeds our expectations.

Many have sent in pay for subscriptions for Christmas presents for their friends. One lady sent \$6 for 12 of her friends for Christmas presents. Any person that is interested in anything in the line of psychic phenomena will be glad to receive a

copy of THE SUNFLOWER a year for a present, and within the next 25 days we expect many more new subscribers.

We wish particularly to thank: N. H. Eddy, Addie Cooper, Mrs. L. Saville, S. E. Latta, C. E. Langdon, Mrs. Celia M. Clark, Guy C. Irvine, I. S. Bail, Mrs. C. M. Jones, Myrta Baily, Mrs. Celia C. Hilton, Eliza Blodgett, R. E. Pollock, Mary Scott, Mary Van Kanzler, Nellie Shaw, Dr. O. D. Whittier, Fred Scharr, F. H. Gilm.

## WOMEN, PRIEST AND CONFESSION.

Reports from the Philippines inform us that forty women attacked a priest, tore his clothes about off from him, took possession of the church he officiated in and refused him admission, while he applied for protection from Gov. Taft. Three hundred women are now occupying the church, eating and sleeping there. Our friends have been faithful in sending to retain possession. The cause of the outbreak was that the priest is said to have divulged the secrets of the confessional.

The women have taken a course that might appeal to them and was doubtless the only redress they knew of. But to about it. Anyway send on the subscription list it would seem that a far easier plan could have been evolved. Why go to "chases" if the old ones are too small.

There has been such a moving and reman or woman has a stronger influence than another is too absurd am afraid I will get lost if it gets a little darker and so I think I will go back to consider. It is not at all to be considered that a priest can forgive sins by the furnace where it is warm and any more than the most hardened sinner I can sleep comfortably. Then I won't get any pipes, tanks, wind engines, cast

that the secrets of the confessional are else dropped on me. It would not do no more safe or sacred to the priest than for me to get hurt as they would be to a western desperado. In fact, of the two we would prefer the assistance latter as there is a sort of wild honor there too. among that class of people, especially towards respectable women.

We sympathize with the women having their secrets exposed by the priest, but would advise them not to tell the priests their secrets in the future, especially if they concern anything that they do not want the public to know of

## THE PARDEE FUND.

We wish to thank our readers in behalf of Mrs. Pardee for their generous contributions which have been received at this office recently.

Below is a statement of the receipts all of which have been forwarded to her. \$14 of this amount reached her on Thanksgiving Day and we presume there are not many of us who had anything which made us feel more thankful than the receipt of this money did Mrs. Pardee, for it relieved her of all anxiety as to the actual necessities of life for a while at least.

A Friend	\$ .50
C. P. Meskiman	.50
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A Friend	.50
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Mrs. L. Johnson	1.00
First Spiritualist Church Columbus, O.	11.00
Mrs. Nellie Shaw	1.00
C. P. Meskiman	1.00
Total	\$20.00

## GREENBACKER.

Well, here I am again. There has been such a clattering in the office since our editor returned from Philadelphia that I hardly knew what to do with myself. I was afraid I would get under foot or something would happen to me so I kept pretty well out of the way. Last evening I heard them say that the "wind engine" was finally connected, and so I am not afraid of being blown away by some wild blast now.

My, but that machine in the old stock room does make a clatter. They tell me that it casts and sets its own type. That you put cold metal in one end of it and it comes out of the other end in type all ready to print from! Isn't that a wonderful idea? It certainly makes noise enough to do that and lots of other things. It does not talk but I think I heard them say something about its "tongues;" but they may have said "tongs." I hope it is not a talking machine and that I misunderstood the word.

I am pleased to know that so many have taken an interest in my aged friend, Mrs. Pardee. She is not a pauper on

the bounty of the Spiritualists as she gave of her substance as long as she had it to give, and now at nearly ninety years of age the bread she has cast upon the waters is returning slowly to her.

I think my friend Mr. Arras, of the Columbus First Spiritualist Church, and the members as well, will feel well repaid for the collection they took for her benefit when they know how much good it

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new magazine and it will be mailed to his subscribers some time about Christmas and sit down," but will get into my nice warm corner until I write my next letter.

I see some large flakes of snow coming

down, and so I will not "go way back

and sit down," but will get into my nice warm corner until I write my next letter.

Fraternally yours,

A. GREENBACKER.

S'pose success don't come at first;  
What be you goin' to dew?  
Throw up the sponge and kick yourself,  
An' go to feelin' blue?  
Uv course you hain't; you're goin' to fish,  
An' bait and bait again;  
Bimeby success will bite you hook,  
And you will pull him in.

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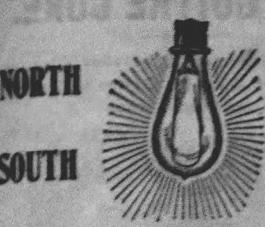
After that it will be \$1.00 per year.

We want every one of the Sunflower Readers to consider the effort we are making and send at least one new name. If you can not get it among your neighbors, why not make some friend a Christmas present of it? Your friend would have reason to bless you fifty-two times in the next year. Don't wait till Christmas, send the half-dollars now as we need the money now to make necessary changes in the office and to pay for machinery. When Christmas comes we will send the paper to your friend saying it is a Christmas present from you.

Remember that in giving you a weekly paper we are giving you twice what we agreed to and this will be liberal pay for securing a new subscriber; then think what a position it would place us in if each of our present patrons would send an additional subscriber, and how small an effort would be required to get one new subscriber.

Now, friends, all take hold. You are interested in this Camp and THE SUNFLOWER is an important part of it. Give a long pull, a strong pull, and a pull altogether and let us have the Best Spiritualist Paper in the World located right on the Lily Dale Camp Grounds.

## LIGHT FROM EVERYWHERE.

EAST  
WEST

This department is conducted to assist our public workers to keep in touch with each other and with the people. Send us notice of your engagements or any other items of interest. Secretaries of societies are requested to send short reports of their work.

Full name and address must accompany every article intended for publication.

Will C. Hodge is lecturing at San Diego, Cal.

Moses Hull has gone to St. Louis, Mo., to remain three weeks.

Mattie Hull has been lecturing twice a week in Milwaukee, Wis.

P. Corden White has gone to Buffalo and is located at 363 Delaware Ave.

Mrs. May S. Pepper, of Providence, R. I., has been serving the Philadelphia Spiritual Association.

Send us short notices of the meetings and movements of lecturers and mediums in your city or town.

The Ladies' Aid, auxiliary to the First Spiritualist Church of Indianapolis, Ind., will hold a Bazaar, Dec. 4.

Mrs. Ada Foy has finished her engagement at San Francisco, Cal., and has gone to Denver, Col. for the winter.

Nellie S. Baade, of Detroit, Mich., is in Dallas, Tex. She desires engagements in that locality; her present address is 181 Grand Ave., Dallas, Tex.

Fred P. Evans has returned to New York City after a pleasant trip to the Adirondacks. He has opened his occult book store at 30 E. 23.

On Sunday, Nov. 30, Oscar A. Edgerly will begin a month's engagement at Evansville, Ind. Mr. Edgerly has just concluded an engagement at Elkhart, Ind.

D. B. Jimerson and wife will be located at 283 7 St., Buffalo, N. Y., for the next two weeks where they will give private sittings daily and hold seances Tuesday and Friday evenings.

Dr. Alexander Wilder says of Dr. Bland's book, *In the World Celestial*: "It contains such a marvelous rendition of the spiritual world that if it came from the pen of a less reliable writer most readers would regard it as a beautiful fiction, but Dr. Bland's word settles the question."

E. W. Sprague and wife, missionaries for the N. S. A., will serve the Spiritualist Society, of Pittsburgh, Pa., the Sundays of December. They will answer calls to organize societies or serve as speakers and platform test mediums any of the remaining time during the month. Spiritualists within two hundred miles of Pittsburgh, this is your opportunity to do something for our cause. Address at once, E. W. Sprague, 618 Newland Ave., Jamestown, N. Y.

E. W. Chase writes from Buffalo, N. Y.: "The Buffalo Spiritual Society meets at Lyric Hall on Main St. and increased attendance every Sunday attests to the interest that Spiritualism is awakening in Buffalo. Mrs. C. Lewis Chase, the medium, by her grand and convincing tests is bringing many to the truth of spiritual phenomena. Lectures in spiritual philosophy are delivered by Prof. Smith Warner. A lyceum will be started shortly; and a public circle that will aim to develop mediums to the highest and noblest in psychical science."

Dr. Noyes writes from Lawrence, Mass., "Sunday, Nov. 9, Mrs. Noyes and myself assisted the regular speakers of the Methuen Spiritualist Society, W. H. A. Simons, of Haverhill, and Mrs. E. M. Smith, of S. Lawrence. Mrs. Smith is a fine test medium, the Methuen society is a large society and they talk of building a Temple. Sunday Nov. 16 Mrs. Noyes and myself filled the platform of the German Spiritual Society, of Lawrence, they have a Temple of their own, a church which has come under their control. They employ English and German talent, Mr. and Mrs. Kates and Mr. and Mrs. Sprague, N. S. A. missionaries worked in the Temple while here. The Temple was dedicated by the editor of *Lichtstrahlen*, of West Point, Neb. Our address after Dec. 1 will be gen. del. Lowell, Mass."

Addie Cooper writes from Syracuse, N. Y.: "The First Spiritualist Society held services in Snow hall Nov. 16 conducted by E. G. Riley, president, and Mrs. Nellie Banning as speaker. We feel we have secured a prize in having so enthusiastic a speaker. We are very fortunate in securing the services of Mr. Wm. Riley as musician. The young people are coming in and helping very greatly. A surprise party met at the home of our speaker last Friday evening which proved a grand

success both in edibles and sociability. (Mr. Editor, come to our socials and picnics, we always have enough to feed even an editor.) Sunday evening Nov. 22 we met in Snow hall and after Mrs. Banning talked on the subject, "Freedom," we were treated to a few tests. A meeting of the Ladies' Aid was called to meet with your correspondent on Wednesday afternoon to elect officers. A meeting was held at Sister Underhill's on Friday to establish a society to read and help improve ourselves; it was named the "Helping Hand." [Evidently our correspondent knows that editors do not usually have enough to eat, hence their great capacity when they do have get a square meal.]

T. G. Lowry writes from Williamsport, Pa.: "Mrs. E. A. Messersmith, lecturer and test medium, visited Williamsport a short time ago and held independent meetings in Prohibition hall on Sunday evenings. Her lectures and tests were well appreciated; the hall was crowded each evening and all were well pleased. We were sorry when she had to leave to fill other engagements but she has promised to return in a short time. We organized a new society under the name of The Progressive Spiritualist Association and are open to make engagements with lecturers and test mediums for February and March, 1903. Address T. G. Lowry, 610 Spruce St."

### Cassadaga Camp Program For 1903.

GEORGE H. BROOKS, CHAIRMAN.

The program as far as completed is as follows:

#### JULY.

Thur. 9—Buffalo Day. J. W. Dennis, Chairman.  
Sat. 11—Veteran's Day. Carrie Twing.  
Sun. 12—Carrie Twing. Elbert Hubbard.  
Wed. 15—Ohio State Day. Willard J. Hull. W. J. Colville.  
Fri. 17—Willard J. Hull.  
Sun. 19—Willard J. Hull. J. W. Colville.  
Wed. 22—New York State Day. H. W. Richardson, Chairman. Mrs. Tillie U. Reynolds. Carrie E. S. Twing.

Fri. 24—Mrs. Tillie U. Reynolds.  
Sun. 26—Rev. F. A. Wiggin. Mrs. Tillie U. Reynolds.

Tues. 28—Rev. F. A. Wiggins.  
Wed. 29—Peace Day. Dedication. J. W. Colville.

#### AUGUST.

Sun. 2—Rev. Morgan Wood.  
Tues. 3—Rev. Morgan Wood.  
Wed. 5—Woman's Congress. Rev. Anna Shaw. Mrs. Catt. Susan B. Anthony.  
Sun. 9—Rev. Francis Mason. Rev. Anna Shaw.  
Wed. 12—Pennsylvania Day. J. K. Wilson. Mrs. Minnie McKeever.  
Fri. 14—Prof. W. M. Lockwood.  
Sun. 16—Prof. W. M. Lockwood.  
Tues. 18—Prof. W. M. Lockwood.  
Wed. 19—Canadian Day.  
Sun. 23—Rev. B. F. Austin.  
Wed. 26—N. S. A. Day. H. D. Barrett.  
Sun. 30—Swami Abhedananda.

The Monday programs will consist of conference and a card party in the evening.

### Letter from Conneaut, Ohio.

It is with great pleasure I send a report of our thriving little society in Conneaut, O. We have leased a building consisting of an auditorium, library room, dining hall and kitchen. We intend to have good talent often, lyceum every Sunday, and socials every two weeks.

Carrie E. S. Twing will be with us the 6th and 7th of December, and our Secretary has been corresponding with F. Corden White to secure him for January and

I am sure such a gifted man will arouse some of our sleepy orthodox people. We have many fine workers in our ranks as the last year has shown by our rapid progress. Mr. Kinney one of the good and faithful, recently presented the society with 100 plates and cups and saucers besides other kitchen utensils too numerous to mention. Mr. Elliott very generously assisted us to a piano which was gratefully accepted.

Four weeks ago I was called to the bedside of my mother who lay very sick in Chicago. The angel world restored her to us, and she returned home with me in time to spend Thanksgiving in her old home.

I see by your paper notice of the great improvements at the Dale, but the best of all is that Mr. Brooks is secured for our chairman another year; it will be the life of the Camp to meet his jolly countenance once more. No doubt but what next year will be the "Banner" year for fair Lily Dale, and Conneaut intends to send a good delegation.

Wishing you success in your grand undertaking of sending THE SUNFLOWER out weekly and hoping I may have the good fortune to help to swell the list, I am as ever, yours for the truth,

MARY JONES.

Conneaut, O. Nov. 27.

### THE WORLD AND ITS VICES.

not discouraged with life's battles. Bright stars shine in the skies for you. Dark the clouds that may have gathered Brake asunder and melt like morning dew.

God the father of all, the creator of the merry twittering birds, whose songs ring through the forest, and is lost in the vastness. His presence is seen in the bright, smiling flowers, their sweet fragrance and wealth of color meet your gaze in every dell, in every blade of grass, in the laughing, sparkling waters that rush along through the fragrant meadows, green woodlands and craggy mountains, on to the sea, hurrying on over the sands, murmuring a lullaby to the hedges of violets and forget-me-nots that fringe the bank, and the happy, gay feathered songsters that skim over its shining bosom, taking a morning dip in the caressing waters. He that feeds all nature with a lavishing hand, watching over the beasts of the great forests, protects the little birds that sing a morning anthem for you as you awaken from your refreshing slumbers and hear the little minstrels in the green boughs near your window calling you out in the purple haze of the summer morning, just as the sun is creeping up in the eastern horizon, casting a pink glow over the earth, reflecting on the dew-spangled flowers that are the smiles of God, and just as He watches over all things of nature, He watches over you—you are a child of nature, born of a higher sphere, but of the self-same God. Youth is the spring time of your life, be careful of how it is spent, that the fruit that is born may be perfect, so that the remaining reasons may be without a frost.

Some lives are full of blights just as there are among the flowers, the seeds were not perfect and the flowers never became bright and perfectly formed as others do, simply because they had not the care from the time they were germinated. So it is with many people, they stumble blindly through life and eventually succumb to the great reaper called Death, and with them goes all memories of their ever existing, it was a sordid, mis-spent life and no one mourns the loss of it. Just as it is with a flower that is frail and drooping, tries to blossom, but its blighted buds never come to maturity, and finally withers and dries up, and is soon weeded out of the bed of sturdy, brilliant hued blossoms, glad to be rid of it. Just so with an aimless life, floundering around amid the breakers on the great ocean of life, rushing too and fro with the tide, and finally sinks from sight.

To make your name immortal, to live long after you have passed from this life to the eternal life, and your body has returned to dust from which thou came, you must fill your soul with good thoughts, be kind to the poor and lowly lest some time you may be as they, bring yourself in unison with God and the pitying angels, that they may throw their mantle of truth and glory around you, lift you to the realms of their spotless purity to shine a bright jewel in your earthly firmament where the straying sparks will illuminate and draw the veil from the eyes of the multitude, a precious jewel that the allurements and vices of earth can never tarnish.

Aim high in the mad rush and bustle of life and in the crush of the struggling masses, brace yourself against the tide, that the rolling billows may not break over you in their surging fury and haul you to the bottom.

Stand firm to your resolutions, let not the brilliant dazzle of wealth, the blaze and elegance of the club-rooms, the dens of infamy, where the so-called aristocracy mingle together, where the clinking of the wine glass and the bold laughter of men and women seated around the card tables, their cheeks flushed with wine, beautiful women glittering in shimmering robes, whose white hands, ablaze with jewels, raises the destroyer of happy homes, the cause of one-half the murders committed, the first step to ruin and depredation, the sparkling wine glass, with the demons of hades, lurking in its inviting depth to the lips of men, and with jesting, bantering words, bids him drink to her health. Shun the festive board, mingle not with the gay throng that assembles nightly in the swell affairs of some society event, where purity and honor is weighed in the balance with glittering gold and sparkling gems, cast aside like a faded flower, trampled upon, made jest of. Money is the ruling power; they know no other God.

What matters it if he, the petted lion of society seeks to enslave the innocent, trusting heart of a poor, confiding girl, then tramples her innocent love under his feet, just for amusement, to wile away an idle hour, crushed to earth the

pure, delicate flower that was just budding into maturity. How fair that budding life began, so full of hope and promise, broken and trod on, sent before God with a stain upon her soul; disgraced, sneered at by the world, yet he is left unsmeared. "A little entanglement with some low bred creature," society whispers; yet no blame he bears, and in a land where Christianity is boasted of on every hand, ever ready to ridicule the poor, unfortunate beggar, that has fallen by the wayside, but not a breath is ever raised against the curled darling of fortune, the betrayer of innocent hearts. Society smiles serenely upon him and he is blessed.

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## CARDINAL WOOLSEY.

(Continued From Page 1.)

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Another gross misappropriation that manifests itself today in the Catholic church is the confession.

Confession means the help of the priest to pray with the poor in mind, who cannot grasp the Deity within themselves so as to establish in their minds the relationship of the indwelling soul with God.

I, a former cardinal, and arch-bishop of Canterbury, am forced by a natural law to give you these truths to undo the karma which I have made when on earth. A wrong done to others is a greater wrong done to yourself, for every wrong is a barrier in your future progression. You cannot move on until you have removed that barrier. Therefore, I come and lecture to you through this medium to undo the wrongs of my past. I cannot move on until I have removed that barrier, erected by myself in earth life.

Man dies, but his thoughts, words and actions live after him. It is the karma of his earth life, and is subject to the natural laws in the spiritual world, which law forces him in its evolutionary actions to scatter and demolish all and everything in his karma, which is contrary to truth. So I must scatter all ideas of vicarious atonement. There is no such thing, it is a wrong thought, a cruel is being cared for and we are pensioning teaching. But since thought is eternal, mediums in New England, in Michigan we must give forth the truth, we must and in California. We will add to the help truth to overpower untruth, for in the eternal presence truth must ever be will allow.

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## Work and Prospects of the N. S. A.

Dear Mr. Editor:-

Kindly give space in your valued columns to the following notes from the N. S. A. office in Washington. It is our desire to keep the public informed of our work and prospects. To this end, we are pleased to state that the late convention at Boston was a complete success, and that the work laid out for the year promises to be practical and successful for the Cause of Spiritualism. Among other good things to be done, is that of appointing an editor-at-large, to keep watch of the secular press and reply through its own columns to any attack upon or misrepresentation of Spiritualism.

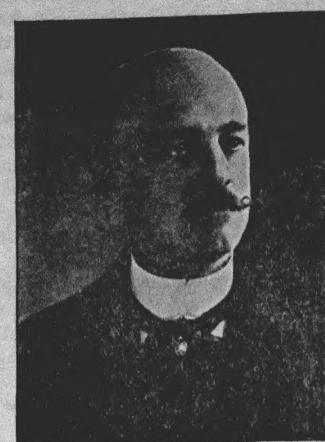
Negotiations are now pending with one of our very best and well known veterans in the Cause, to assume this important position of editor-at-large. A general superintendent of lyceums is to be also in the field for the work and in the interests of the lyceum movement, and Mr. John W. Ring, of the Texas

State Association, is chosen for that im-

portant field. His duty will be to help strengthen lyceums, organize new ones, issue a lyceum paper, suggest lesson work, and do the best he can for the Lyceum movement. The National Spiritual Lyceum, and the Young People's Union are both disbanded, but the work of these two organizations may be brought to account some time in future years.

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Some people are endowed with what might be called a spiritual telephone, just as others have mechanical, musical or mathematical genius. But even as the earthly telephone at times is unreliable, and "Central" does not always make the right connections, so these spiritual wires are not always to be relied upon.

I am confident we are all often surrounded by bands of invisible forces, spirits in various phases of development who are interested in our welfare.

They are God's messengers, sent to cheer and help struggling humanity. Call upon them—believe in them, but believe in your divine self and in the God of Love, and all will be well with you.

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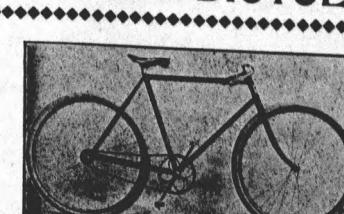
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